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In re Application of:

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AMENDMENT & REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

Sir:

In reply to the Office Action dated 29 May 2008, this application has been amended as indicated below. This reply is timely. The amendment presents one additional independent claim above those previously presented. The fee for the additional independent claim is being paid through the electronic filling system. The Commissioner, however, is authorized to charge any unaccounted fee(s), such as for extension of time, excess claim fees, etc., required to enter this amendment and/or maintain pendency of this application to Deposit Account No. 18-2056.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 8 of this paper.